

# Ohio Union

Herrick Archives Number 058

## A. IDENTIFICATION & LOCATION

### 1. Name

1.1 Never officially named by Board of Trustees action.

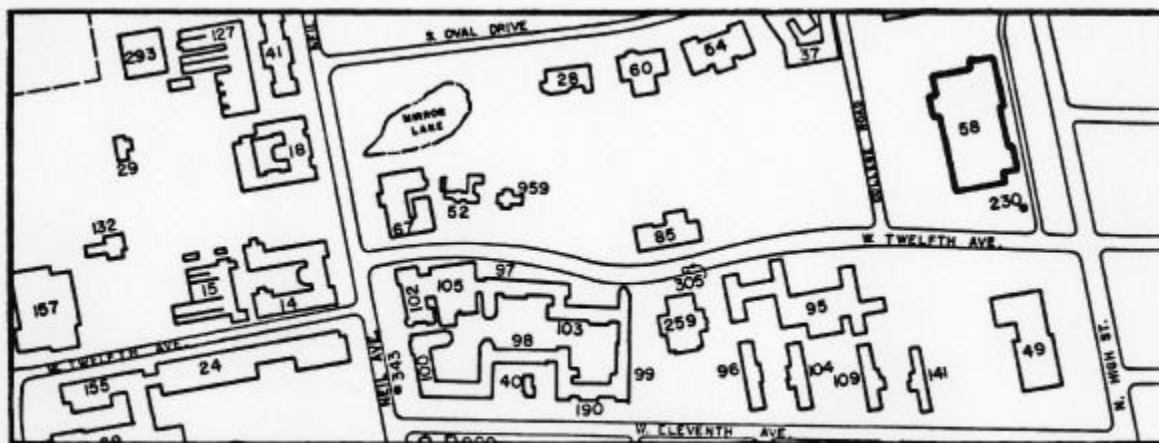
1.2 Alternate names noted:

None

### 2. Location

2.1 Located at 1739 North High Street. See map below.

2.2 For greater detail, see Sheets 98 and 111 in the book of campus maps in the University Archives.



For identification of other buildings shown, see Appendix A.

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### 3. General Description

3.1 Type of construction:

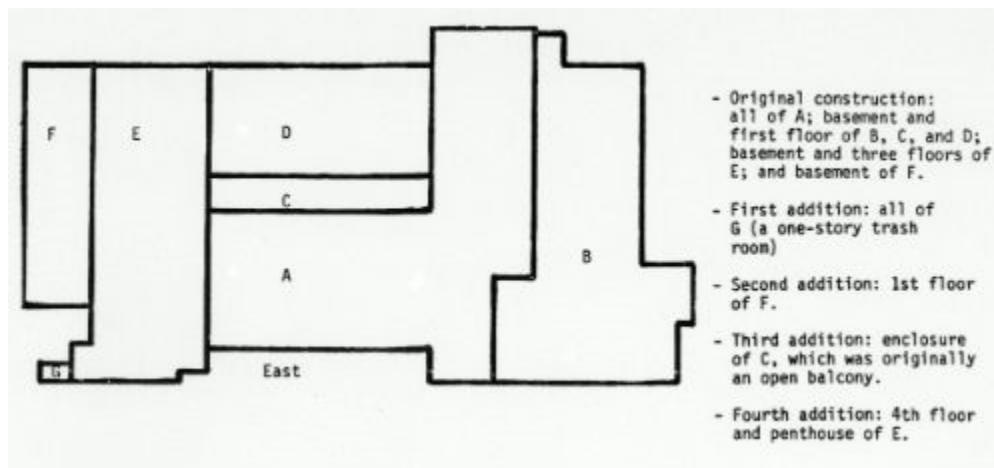
Steel frame with brick exterior.

3.2 No. of stories:

Basement plus four floors and a penthouse for mechanical equipment.

3.3 Increments of construction:

Enlarged four times. See sketch.



3.4 Present area of building as shown in inventory records of Division of Campus Planning:

220,242 sq. ft. gross; 150,628 sq. ft. net assignable

Volume of building:

3,480,371 cu. ft. (PP)

See Addendum No. 1

## B. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION-ORIGINAL BUILDING

1. On February 14, 1949 the Board of Trustees, on the basis of nearly completed plans and related documents prepared by Bellman, Gillett and Richards, authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received on May 12, 1949 (T).

3. On June 10, 1949 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: Struck Construction Co.

Electrical: Gustav Hirsch Organization

Heating and ventilating: Sauer Co., Inc.

Plumbing: Sauer Co., Inc.

Elevator: Warner Elevator Co.

Kitchen equipment: Southern Equipment Co.

Relocate sewers: Southeast Excavating Co.

4. One September 6, 1950 the Board of Trustees awarded the contract for bowling lanes and equipment to Brunswick-Balke-Callender Co.

5. On April 9, 1951 the Board of Trustees awarded the contract for the public address system to Gustav Hirsch Organization, Inc.

6. Beginning of work:

Construction started June 14, 1949 (R51-52:1).

7. Completion and occupancy:

7.1 Opened November 1, 1951 (R51-52:1).

7.2 Dedicated November 17, 1951 (R51-52:1).

### **C. FIRST ADDITION -- TRASH ROOM**

This addition was constructed during 1959-60 as a part of a general refurbishing of the building.

### **D. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION-FIRST ADDITION (SOUTH TERRACE)**

1. On November 10, 1961 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by Benham, Richards and Armstrong and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.
2. Bids were received on March 23, 1962 (T). All except heating and air conditioning bids were rejected.
3. New bids on other parts of the work were received on April 9, 1962 (T).
4. On May 18, 1962 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: Altman-Coady Co.

Electrical: Pence Electric Co.

Heating and air conditioning: The Kuempel Co.

Plumbing: J. F. Oelgoetz

5. Completion and occupancy:

Completed October 17, 1962 (A). The 1961-62 annual report of the Ohio Union, written in the summer of 1962, stated (p.14) that the South Terrace would open in October.

### **E. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION - SECOND ADDITION (EXPANSION OF TERRACE DINING ROOM AND LOUNGE)**

1. On April 8, 1965 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by George Clark and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.
2. Bids were received on June 17, 1965 (T).
3. On July 8, 1965 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: E. J. Will & Co.

Electrical: Claggett Electric Co.

Air conditioning: O'Brien Plumbing & Heating Co.

Plumbing: Bruner Corp.

4. Completion and occupancy:

Opened for use on January 9, 1966 according to 1965-66 Annual Report of The Ohio Union.

### **F. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION - THIRD ADDITION (THIRD FLOOR ADDITION, SOUTH**

## WING)

1. On April 14, 1966 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by Richards, Bauer and Moorehead and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received on June 15 and 20, 1966 (T).

3. On July 14, 1966 the Board of Trustees awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: Garwick & Ross, Inc.

Electrical: Claggett Electric Co.

Heating, ventilating and air conditioning: Limbach Co.

Plumbing: O'Brien Plumbing & Heating Co.

4. Completion and occupancy:

Released for occupancy September 7, 1967 (P).

## G. COST

As of June 30, 1952 this building was listed at \$3,326,619.47; by June 30, 1971 the figures stood at \$4,462,232.49 (B).

## H. PHOTOGRAPHS

1. In Photoarchives:

Original Building:

X 7785

X 7786

X 7787

X 7788

XX 7789

With additions:

X 22740

X 22741

X 22742

## I. MISCELLANEOUS

Floor designations in this building are confusing. The basement or ground floor is frequently referred to as the first floor.

The third addition is referred to both as the third floor addition and the fourth floor addition, the current terminology being fourth floor.

The construction of this building resulted from student initiative. A petition signed by 14,235 students was presented to the Board of Trustees on March 3, 1947. The petition suggested a fee of \$5.00 per student per quarter to amortize the cost. The project was approved by the Board on June 30, 1947 and the site was established at the September 5, 1947 meeting.

John H. Herrick  
September 2, 1976

#### **ADDENDUM NO. 1**

Campus Planning records now show the net assignable area of this building as 143,984 square feet.

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February 7, 1985